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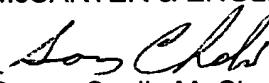
EXTENSION PETITION

Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully petitions for a three (3) month extension of time to
reset the deadline for response to the Office Action of June 27, 2006 in the above-identified
application from September 27, 2006 to and including December 22, 2006. A \$1,020.00 fee is
due in connection with the filing of this Petition and the accompanying Amendment. Please
charge the \$1,020.00 fee to Deposit Account No. 503571. If any further fees are due, including
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Respectfully Submitted,

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